

To Whom It May Concern:

Our Fire/Rescue organization consists of 30 of volunteers. In order to provide twenty-four hour response we need to call out our members using a VHF paging system which was bought and paid for years ago. My name is William E. (Bill) Ford, Fire Chief of the City of Roanoke, Alabama and I know that we do not have the resources to effectively provide service without our existing VHF communications and paging link.

Our choices for communications are severely limited. We cannot be dependent on commercial sources due to recurring costs and lack of availability. Our financial needs are for equipment and training personnel. Our VHF Communications provides us with the links we need to accomplish our mission to serve the people of our small community.

We would appreciate you not restricting Public Safety paging on the VHF radio band unless you have an affordable and acceptable substitute.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact me if additional information is needed.

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